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DAILY WEATHER BULLETIN.

By Western Union Telegraph Lines for Aug. 17, 9 A. M.

CITIES.	TH.	WIND.	WEATHER.
Philadelphia	78	N E	Cloudy.
Washington	80	N E	Cloudy.
Montgomery	84	N E	Clear.
Mobile	85	N E	Cloudy.
Jackson	79	S W	Clear.
Vicksburg	80	S W	Clear.
Houston	86	S W	Clear.
Natchez	81	S W	Clear.
Chattanooga	84	S W	Clear.
Shreveport	84	S E	Cloudy.
Flower Cove	84	S E	Cloudy.
Portland	64	N E	Cloudy.
Boston	65	N E	Cloudy.
New York	65	N E	Cloudy.
Wilmington	76	N E	Cloudy.
Albany	80	S E	Clear.
Charleston	86	S E	Clear.
Key West	81	None	Unsettled.
Havana	82	S E	Cloudy.
N. Orleans	84	S E	Shower.
Cleveland	78	N W	Clear.
Indianapolis	80	N E	Cloudy.
Nashville	84	N W	Cloudy.
Memphis	80	N E	Cloudy.
Louisville	80	N E	Cloudy.
Cincinnati	75	N E	Cloudy.
St. Louis	80	N E	Cloudy.
Pittsburg	76	N W	Cloudy.

THE CITY.

NOTICE.

Mr. N. Deemer and Mr. Sale have charge of the delivery of the EVENING EXPRESS, in the central portion of the city, and will collect all bills for subscriptions from the first of the present month.

Full Particulars of the great prize fight will be given in the second edition.

Personal.

Gen. E. W. Higgs, of New Orleans, is in the city, stopping at the Galt House.

Crowded Out.

The pressure of news on our columns to-day compels us to defer the publication of editorial, correspondence, &c., until to-morrow.

Lunatics.

Mr. Jas. Marsh, the old gentleman we spoke of yesterday, and Mrs. Catherine Kennedy were sent to the First-street lock-up this morning by the court, to await the action of their friends.

Seizure and Release.

United States Marshal Marjary this morning seized the steamer Charleston on a warrant issued against the boat by B. J. Caffrey. On a hearing of the case, the steamer was released on giving bond.

Gen. Breckinridge.

The Lexington Statesman of this morning says there is a rumor to the effect that Hon. John C. Breckinridge will be tendered a chair in the law school of the Kentucky University.

Yuba Dam Ridivivus.

Yuba Dam still lives. He was not captured by the Mormons and made captive of none of them. He writes his experience in the country nearer the setting sun. Dam's letter will be found on the second page.

Slender Case.

A suit was had yesterday in Justice Clements' Court between Wm. Ahern and Pat. Carroll; damages laid at \$100; court awarded \$10. Carroll had accused Ahern of stealing from his money drawer. After the case was decided Carroll had Ahern arrested for felony.

The Last Medley.

Henry McWay, an old customer, was discharged from the clutches of the law this morning. But he couldn't stand to be sober for a few days. Total abstinence had whetted his appetite to a point beyond his control; so he was drunk again in a half hour after his discharge, and went back to the jail.

Investigation.

The inspectors of this district this morning instituted measures for the investigation of the circumstances under which the boilers of the steamer Cumberland were exploded, last Saturday morning, near Shawneetown, statement of which has already been made in these columns. Summons have been issued for witnesses, and the matter will undergo a rigid examination.

Stealing Wearing Apparel.

About 6 o'clock this morning Officer Harman of the West End Police, arrested in Portland, a negro named Jas. Bryan, for stealing clothing, shoes, &c., from Annie Crow, also an African. Bryan is an old offender, being already under indictment for a theft, but having succeeded in making his escape. He will have to stand a trial this time.

Personal.

We are pained to hear of the death of Mrs. W. A. Holman, daughter of Dr. J. B. English, of Owen county. She has been an invalid for many years, suffering with patient resignation, to the will of the All-wise, the severest pains, endearing herself to all by her meek submission. She had many friends in the city, who justly regarded her as one among the purest and best. Her death occurred Sunday evening, at the residence of Dr. Frazee, on Fifth street, and her remains were forwarded yesterday to her late home in Owen county.

A Case of Crim. Con., and its Results.

A case was tried this morning before Justice Clements, between two colored individuals, man and wife—Lewis Montgomery and Susan, his wife. Lewis states that he is a preacher, but is engaged in business as a porter. Susan says she caught him in adultery, and falling upon him, beat him to the best of her ability. In consequence whereof, Lewis took advantage of the first occasion and returned the beating with compound interest. At this Susan proceeded to court, and sued out a peace warrant. The court held him to bail in \$200 to keep the peace six months, and took her own recognizance in \$100.

MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

A LONG AND WARM DISCUSSION.

The Lot for the Sixth-Ward House.

Legal Opinion Obtained.

The School Board held an adjourned meeting last night, Vice-President Scott in the chair.

The committee, consisting of Dr. Thos. E. Jenkins and Prof. E. M. Murch, appointed at a previous meeting to examine into the working of various polytechnic schools in the East, returned a very extended, minute and elaborate report of their labors. This report was referred to the committee on examination and course of study.

By a vote of the board, the Secretary was directed to pay a claim of fifty eight dollars for expenses incurred in the late session of the State Association of Teachers.

The question of establishing a public school in "California," the southwestern suburb of the city, was brought up and elicited some little running debate, but no decision was obtained.

The remainder of the hour till 9 o'clock was passed in amending the rules of the board. At 9 o'clock the special order for that hour was taken up. This was the much-debated and really exciting question as to confirming the action of the President in contracting with Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Fultz and others for the purchase of 120 feet of ground on Gray street, between First and Second.

The special committee to have the question of validity of title investigated made their report, submitting a written opinion by Judge Bullock and Isaac Caldwell, Esq., to the effect: That Mrs. Carr and her daughters could make an indisputable title to four-fifths of the property without any action of court; that the other undivided fifth of that estate could only be sold by proper proceedings in chancery.

With this opinion Major Kinney introduced a resolution advising or recommending the Mayor of the city not to buy the property. The Major spoke strongly and eloquently in favor of his resolution, arguing that this undivided fifth interest in the Carr lot would prove to the board and the city an endless source of vexation and annoyance; that a long and tedious process would be required in the Chancery Court; then a reference to the Court of Appeals, and a final order of the lower court in obedience to the mandate of the appellate court. Mr. Camp, member from the ward particularly interested, argued that the Major's idea was all bosh; that at the first meeting of the Chancery Court, the matter could be entered for immediate decree. Major Kinney argued that as the interest could not be sold except at public outcry—everybody in the city would have the right to bid, and the "sharks" could and might outbid the Board—and thus hold in *terrorem* over their heads, this undivided fifth, forcing the Board to pay any rent the owner saw proper to demand; and, finally, when the imposition could no longer be supported, forcing the Board to buy at the owner's own figures.

Some of the speakers—among others, the member from the Sixth ward—seemed to entertain the idea that one-fifth of the ground could be left unoccupied on one side of the house, and that nobody would ever think of buying twelve feet of ground next to a public school.

Dr. Yandell offered a substitute for Major Kinney's resolution, to the effect that the Board confirm the contract with Mrs. Carr and her daughters, provided that, in the deed they bind themselves to give a perfect title to the whole, meantime withholding the stipulated price for the one-fifth.

This resolution was amended by Mr. Carpenter to the effect that the Board confirm the contract, provided the title be perfected in ninety days.

Dr. O'Reilly offered as a substitute for all the preceding, that the Board will pay sixteen thousand dollars for the whole one hundred and twenty feet, provided the parties will give a good and perfect title. At this phase of the question, an almost endless discussion arose, which was cut short by a call for the previous question. Dr. O'Reilly's substitute was then lost by a vote of fourteen to three. Mr. Carpenter's amendment was also lost—eleven to six.

Dr. Yandell's substitute was lost—ten to seven. Major Kinney's original resolution was also lost—ten to seven; and the whole matter, after a month's consideration, was back where it began.

At this juncture, Mr. Tucker, the member from the Fourth ward, remarked that he had once bought a piece of ground under precisely the same circumstances, and that without consulting lawyers, he took an indemnifying bond, and obtained a complete title. He introduced a resolution that the Board confirm the contract, provided the owners will, within ten days, give an indemnifying bond, binding them to make a perfect title. This resolution was adopted almost unanimously, and the Board then adjourned.

Arrests.

Jno. Wood, a colored boy, about fourteen years old, was arrested this morning by Officers White and McDonald, charged with stealing clothing from the store of Isaac Davis.

Frank Berry was taken to jail by Officer Tiller, for making an indecent exposure of his person.

Jas. Welch was arrested by Officer Thornton for being drunk and disorderly. These arrests were all made about noon.

THE KRIEL CASE.

A TERRIBLE BLUNDER.

The Governor Issues the Mandate for Execution Before the Case is Decided.

Legal Opinion Obtained.

We announced yesterday that the mandate of Governor Stevenson, ordering the execution of William Kriel, the wife-murderer, had been received by Sheriff Martin, and that Kriel was to be hung in September. The statement had an extraordinary effect. The prisoner became greatly excited, and, for the first time, looked grave and sad over the prospect of sending a human soul into eternity, while the prisoner's counsel, General Jackson, was amazed and indignant, as, from his knowledge of the law he was satisfied it was an official blunder. He at once took steps to apply a remedy which was prompt and effectual.

To give an intelligent account of the case we will state its different phases. Kriel was convicted by the Jefferson Criminal Court, and sentenced to be hung. Application was made for a new trial, which was overruled by the court. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court of the State, which sustained the decision of the lower court. Subsequently a petition was submitted for a rehearing before the Supreme Court, which has not yet been acted on. The court being now in the enjoyment of its vacation, Under the law it is the duty of the Clerk of the Court of Appeals thirty days after the disposal of such a case, to certify the fact to the Governor, who then issues his mandate to the sheriff of the county, as was done in this case. And the clerk of the court, it seems, not being advised or aware of the petition for a rehearing, verified the case to the Governor as having been formally disposed of by the court. The Governor's duty was plain and he did his duty. But there must have been a loose mode of conducting business in the Court of Appeals, where the fault evidently lies, to have allowed such a fearful blunder. Whose fault is it? Judges or Clerk?

Gen. Jackson telegraphed to Judge Duval, the clerk, to enlighten him as to the status of the case, to which he received this response:

"Mandate in Kriels case issued by mistake. Will be corrected immediately."

So Kriel will remain where he is until the court takes action on the petition for a rehearing of the case.

THE OPERA HOUSE.

Important Meeting of Committee.

Our German friends are pushing forward, with their customary energy, in the matter of building an opera house that shall be an ornament to the city and a pecuniary success. Saturday evening a meeting of the executive committee was held, at which it was determined to require the first installment of subscription—20 per cent.—to be paid by the 15th of September, and the following depositories for subscriptions appointed: German Insurance Co., Western Insurance and Banking Co., German Bank and Insurance Co., German Savings Bank, and Masonic Savings Bank.

The real estate committee reported as follows in reference to the lines within which the desired location should be obtained: The lot should not be less than 100 feet front by 200 to 250 feet deep, and located between the east side of Second street and west side of Sixth; the south side of Market and the north line of Chestnut. The committee was authorized to receive proposals for an eligible location.

The committee for obtaining plans for the building reported progress—having taken steps to obtain plans of the most perfectly adapted opera houses in this country and in Europe. There can be no doubt from the energy manifested that this movement will prove a great success.

A Brute.

Peter Nicht appeared this morning before Justice Clement, and swore out a peace warrant against Patrick Patterson. The parties live at, or near, the first toll-gate on the Shelbyville pike, and Patterson had shot, or attempted to shoot, Nicht. Patterson is reported to be very boisterous—in fact, a perfect brute—when drunk, and he has been on a spree for several days. He has been threatening to shoot indiscriminately around among his neighbors—had shot at some of them—fortunately without serious results. But last night, in one of his brawls, he had fallen viciously upon his wife and beaten her almost to a jelly, so that she is unable to move or help herself. She and her little children were suffering for something to eat; but neighbors took the case in hand this morning. The court required bond in \$600 to keep the peace twelve months; failing to give it, he was sent to jail.

Peace Warrant.

Joseph Lewis and William Johnson, from the country, and both colored, became engaged in an altercation near the intersection of Brook and Main streets. It seems that Lewis, who was afraid, wanted to ride in the wagon which Johnson was driving. This request was not granted, and Lewis, in attempting to get into the wagon, was struck and somewhat roughly handled by Johnson. Lewis, who is an old man, unable to protect himself, applied to Justice Matlack, and swore out a peace warrant, determined to make Johnson suffer for his attack.

BASE BALL YESTERDAY.

Kentucky Club Victors.

The game of ball yesterday afternoon on the grounds at Cedar Hill, between the Alert club, of Plainville, O., and the Kentucky club of this city, resulted in a decided victory for the Kentucky boys, as will be seen from the report below—scoring sixteen to eleven. The Eagle club play a game at three this afternoon with the Alert, and much sport is expected.

KENTUCKY.	O. R.	ALERT.	O. R.
Pope, c. f.	4	Z. D. DeMar, p.	4
Coleman, r. f.	4	Flinn, 1st b.	2
Ives, c.	3	Boyle, c.	2
Lyman, 2d b.	4	G. W. DeMar, r. f.	2
Anderson, i. f.	5	Bodine, c.	4
Shelley, p.	3	Landon, 2d b.	4
Brooks, p.	2	Hitch, 3d b.	4
Mencher, 2d b.	3	Wraton, s. f.	1
Sullivan, 1st b.	1	J. F. DeMar, c.	2
Total	27	Total	27

Left on Base—Alert, 6; Kentucky, 4. Flies Caught—Alert, 10; Kentucky, 21. Foul Balls Caught—Alert, 5; Kentucky, 2. Struck Out—Alert, 1; Kentucky, 1. Time of Game—Two hours.

Out on Base—Alert, 14; Kentucky, 11. Home Runs—Alert, 0; Kentucky, 1. Measure—Russell Wheeler of Eagle Club. Scores—T. J. Flynn, for Alert; H. C. Thomas, for Kentucky.

Boy Drowned.

Yesterday afternoon Frank D. White, a boy some sixteen years old, and some of his companions, were in the Ohio river, opposite Shippingport, bathing. Frank, who could not swim, was holding to a plank with two of the other boys. They loosed their hold of the plank, when he, evidently excited at the situation; also let go and grappled one of them. Both sank together, but his companion succeeded in freeing himself, and Frank was drowned. With the aid of a seine his body was recovered shortly afterwards, and Coroner Moore being summoned, an inquest was held, the jury returning the following verdict:

Inquest No. 316—Held on Twenty-sixth street, between Portland avenue and Bank street, August 16, 1869, upon the body of Frank D. White, aged sixteen years. Verdict of the jury—That said Frank D. White came to his death at half-past one o'clock p. m., August 16, 1869, from accidental drowning in the Ohio river, opposite Shippingport.

DICK MOORE, Coroner, J. C.

Violating the Revenue Laws.

Officer A. J. Harrington arrived this morning from Bourbon county, having arrested at North Middletown and brought with him Messrs. Jas. Moore, Emile Pfister and Jno. T. Patterson, on complaint made by R. J. Browne, assistant assessor for Bourbon county. Those parties were charged with violating the revenue laws in being dealers in liquors without government license—not having even made application therefor. A hearing was had before A. J. Ballard, U. S. commissioner, which resulted in binding over Pfister in \$500 to answer at the October term of the United States Court, and in the discharge of the other parties, on the ground that, according to the evidence, there was no violation of the spirit of the law, but merely of the letter.

Very Sudden Death.

Saturday afternoon, between 4 and 5 o'clock, Mr. John McDermott, residing at the corner of Seventeenth and Main streets, and employed as a molder at the Eagle Foundry of Messrs. J. S. Lithgow & Co., met a very sudden death. He had just finished pouring a number of flasks, and being overheated, drank very freely of ice-water. The consequence was that he died in the foundry within ten minutes. The saddest part of the story is that he leaves an interesting little family behind him—a wife and two children—to mourn his sudden taking off. His funeral will take place this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Members of the Stove and Hollow-ware Molders' Union and the Machine Molders' Union will assist in paying the last sad tribute to his memory.

The Council and the Railroads.

The room of the Common Council was ablaze with gas-light last evening. The clerk of that board and several of the members were present, when after waiting till 8 o'clock it was learned that the calling of the meeting was not fully authorized, the resolution to that effect failing of adoption in the Board of Aldermen. It is presumed that at the regular meeting of the General Council Thursday evening complete arrangements will be made for another meeting.

Two More Suits.

Two more suits were entered yesterday, by Messrs. Bramlette & Durrett, attorneys, against the United States Mail line for loss of life at the time of the great collision last December. Emile Moreau was barkeeper on the United States at the time, and suit has been brought in the Common Pleas Court by his administrator, August Antoine. The other suit has been brought in the United States Circuit Court by Patsy Leuter, widow of Edward Leuter, a deck-hand, who was killed on the same boat. Damages in each case are laid at \$10,000.

TOWN TOPICS.

Fine Shirts.

The best place to get a dozen of fine and substantial shirts, with all the latest improvements, is at Green & Green's. Their charges are reasonable, and they can manufacture a perfect garment.

Insurance.

We call the attention of our readers to the statement of the insurance companies represented by John Barbee, in another column.

The Bishop of London says that there now exist in London more than a thousand associations for charitable purposes, administering annually about \$4,000,000, in addition to the regular assessment of the poor rates. Yet there is such a spread of want, misery, pauperism, and crime in that metropolis, that the authorities are at their wits' ends to meet it.

PUGILISTIC.

Allen and Gallagher Training.

The Day Before the Battle.

From the St. Louis Democrat, Monday.

To-morrow will be a memorable and momentous day to the sporting world at large, but more especially to Charlie Gallagher and Tom Allen. Their business depends, to a certain extent, upon the result of to-morrow's battle. Both are engaged in the one business. Both express themselves confident of an easy victory over the other. Both are good science men—better than the general average of fighters. Both are determined to make a desperate struggle for the mastery. Both want a "fair field" and "even odds." Both have an old grudge to settle and an axe to grind. Both cannot come out victorious, unless in case of a *drawn battle*, which would leave "honors even" for the time being.

Both men have ardent admirers in the sporting fraternity, who express their opinions more forcibly than in consonance with good breeding. But this is owing in a measure to the great excitement which exists regarding this fight, together with an over-indulgence in that noxious liquor which "steals away a man's brains."

Both will, barring accidents or magisterial influence, enter the hallowed or charmed circle to-morrow, between the hours of 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., at a point down the Mississippi river within fifty miles of this city. Both men will go on the same boat, and the friends of either party having a V to spare can witness this very important inauguration.

Should Gallagher defeat Allen, he will, we think, retire from the ring for some time to come. But not so with Allen, who has many engagements to fulfill, and, to use his own language, "would just as leave fight as eat bread and molasses." Tom's engagements will most likely occur in the following order: First, with McCool, on the 10th of October, within fifty miles of Cincinnati. After that he must make his bow to the infant Ned O'Baldwin, then to Ben. Hogan, unless a prior match should be made between Ben. and Jim Coyne, which is very likely. Then Joe Goss, of England, is expected soon, and a meeting between him and Allen, to settle old scores, is almost sure to take place. And last, but not least, by any means, is the wily little India-rubber man, Tom Kelley, who fought Allen's brother, in England, and who, if he cannot get on a mill with one of his own weight, will most likely pay his address to Allen.

Gallagher is 24 years old, his birthday being the 10th of May, and Canada the land of his nativity. His present weight is 170 pounds, and he is six feet one and a half inches in height. He looks rather gaunt and fragile to a casual observer, but any one who sees him stripped will at once know that he is no chicken. He has a powerful arm and chest, and strikes a heavy blow, beside being as active as a cat and a capital sparrer.

This famous English pugilist, who fought McCool on the 12th of April, is in training at the Wash Home, under the direction of Jim Coyne. We found him indisposed to talk about his mode of training. He said it was his secret and he would not divulge it for \$500. Tom has been in seven or eight fights in England and this country, and his record is well known. His present weight is 170 pounds. He says he is in better condition than when he fought McCool. He has the utmost confidence in his ability to get away with Gallagher, and Coyne has a few stamps left which he is anxious to put up on the result of the mill.

Allen's whole soul is absorbed in the approaching fight, although he talks but little about it. He said he would drive Gallagher to his "bloody corner," and when he once got him there he would be "bloody glad" to quit. He makes light of Gallagher's power, and his record is well known. He is an Irishman, born in England, as he remarked, perpetuating an Irish blunder.

Allen is a gunsmith by trade, and was a good workman at the business.

THE LAST OF THE BATTLE MORN.

Last night was the time fixed by the articles of agreement between Allen and Gallagher, for the depositing of the last \$100 aside of each party. This event created quite a stir among the fancy, and hundreds of them crowded into and around Gallagher's and Allen's saloons, to get a last look at the pugilists before the fight.

At Allen's, the crowd was packed as close as herring. There were men of various nationalities, most of them mechanics and laboring men, and not a few possessed some knowledge of the manly art. Allen and Coyne came in from the Wash Home, and were the observed of all observers. The depositing of the money was a simple process and occupied but a few moments.

Gallagher's saloon was also jammed with curious spectators, of the same character and appearance as those at Allen's. McCool and O'Baldwin dropped in for a minute, and were immediately surrounded by a multitude of anxious inquirers. Mike bore no perceptible mark of the attack of Burns, in Buffalo, and treated the affair as a trifle. O'Baldwin, standing six feet four in his boots, was visible to everybody, and received a full share of attention. He is generally in his manners, and remarkably good natured.

The Administration a Unit.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—The Civil Service Journal, devoted to Department affairs, will be published to-morrow, contains the following:

By authority. "We are authorized to state, and it gives us pleasure to announce to the officers of the civil service, that the Administration is substantially a unit on all political questions foreign and domestic, and that all statements and instructions that the President and a portion of his advisers are seriously at variance, has no foundation in fact. Every subordinate officer who does his duty, and thereby renders the Administration a success, need not have any apprehension that political differences within the party will endanger his position."

ONE THOUSAND CIGARS, from a San Francisco firm, packed in glass boxes of 100 each, with the monogram of the President on each box, and the small end of each cigar finished with gold leaf, have arrived at New York, addressed to the President. A foreign mission at least for the donor.

ANOTHER STEAMBOAT DISASTER.

The Cumberland Explodes Her Boilers.

She is a Perfect Wreck and a Total Loss.

Thirteen to Fifteen Persons Killed.

Thirteen to Fifteen Badly Wounded.

Heroic Conduct of Her Officers.

From the Evansville Journal, 16th.

The steamer Cumberland, plying in the Evansville and Cairo packet trade, commanded by Captain Wm. Lowth, with Marion Wright and Bruce Hunter, clerks; James Matheny and James Dameron, pilots; Robert Redman and Thomas Green, engineers; David Pearson, mate; George Birch, steward; Samuel Copeland, mail agent, left Evansville between five and six o'clock Friday evening, for Cairo, with a fair cargo of grain and packet freight.

At Mt. Vernon she took about 900 sacks of wheat, and a few minutes after four o'clock on Saturday morning, while approaching the bar at Shawneetown, and about a mile from the mouth of the river, the lead, her larboard boiler exploded with a terrible crash, leaving the boat a complete wreck, and killing and wounding a large number of her deck crew, a few passengers, and the mail agent, as is supposed.

Jim Dameron had left the pilothouse as the boat landed at Raleigh, and Pilot Matheny seeing a light on the Kentucky shore, a short distance below, backed down, supposing it was a "hail," but finding it was not, had straightened the boat down the river, and as above stated, had struck the bar for the lead, but had not changed the speed of the boat.

Engineer Redman, who was on watch, hearing the call for the lead, at once tried the water in her boilers, and, finding it satisfactory, returned to the engine to be ready to answer the "slow bell," which he expected to hear in a few moments. It is the opinion of her engineers that only the larboard boiler exploded, but all the boilers, three in number, were blown overboard. Only a small piece of the exploded boiler, and two small pieces of the fuel tank attached to the boiler, were found.

Jim Matheny, who was at the wheel, was blown overboard, as was also Bruce Hunter, second clerk, who was on watch when the explosion occurred. Matheny was but little stunned, and was not only able to save himself, but also aided Hunter, whom he found helpless on the water, by clinging to portions of the wreck till rescued by a skiff.

David Pearson, the mate, was ascending to the hurricane deck, to pass the word from the leadman to the pilot, when he was lifted up into the two sections of the boiler, falling into the hold, beneath where the boilers had been, among coals of fire. He drew himself up by the kelson, but being blinded by smoke and ashes, he fell through the hatch upon the other side.

As he fell from the hurricane deck he was caught by the head by the iron of the falling chimney, and held suspended for a moment, when fortunately Alex. Howell, of Shawneetown, who was making his way out of the wreck, stepped upon the chimney, separating the portions so that Pearson was freed, and fell as we have before described. After he fell, he having worked his way out of the hold, he discovered that the boat was on fire, and though badly stunned, bruised and bleeding, he rallied such of the crew as he could find able for duty, and with their aid succeeded in extinguishing the fire, which broke out in several places.

The timely efforts of the mate and crew, assisted by Alex. Howell, Captain Lowth, and others, it was again extinguished, and the wreck, and no doubt many lives saved. In the meantime the anchor was cast out, and the J. L. Graham came up and towed the wreck to Shawneetown, when it sunk gradually, her "hats" having been started by the explosion.

When the explosion took place, Captain Lowth and Jim Dameron were buried in the wreck of the Texas, and had to burst their way out, which they did by using their hands in doing, and joined the mate and crew in their efforts to save the boat, and assist the wounded. Captain Lowth was especially active and efficient in securing the comfort of the wounded, and was nobly seconded in his efforts by Captain Howell and Mr. Daniel Jacobs, of Shawneetown, and the people of Shawneetown, were earnest in their efforts to render assistance and relieve the suffering.

Marion Wright was asleep in his room, with Bruce Hunter's little boy in the upper berth, and, although the safe and sound, and

